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QUEEN MIGHT RETIRE

An Old Rumor Has Been Revived
About Victoria.

HER LAST VISIT TO THE METROPOLIS

Will Live Hereafter at Balmoral
or Isle of Wight.

HER INCREASED FEEBLENESS

LONDON, July 31.—The rumor that Queen Victoria intends to retire in favor of the Prince of Wales is again current today, and it is added that court circles are greatly troubled regarding the condition of the queen's health. Such reports have frequently appeared of recent years, only to be semi-officially contradicted later. But it now seems that there may be some actual foundation for the statements made. It is added that her majesty has decided to spend her time in future at Balmoral or at Osborne, and that she will give the Prince and Princess the use of Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle. There is no doubt that the queen seems to feel greatly the weight of her years and her infirmities, and her majesty is quoted as having repeatedly remarked during her last stay in this city, at Buckingham Palace, upon the occasion of the recent marriage of Princess Maud of Wales to Prince Charles of Denmark: "This is my last visit to London."

DEMOCRATS MAKE ADVANCES.

Taking Steps in North Carolina Toward Fusion on Electors.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 31.—By a vote of 29 to 5 at 2 o'clock this morning the democratic state committee adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, both democratic and populist parties, in national convention, have nominated Bryan for President, and

"Whereas, electoral ticket for Bryan and Sewall and another for Bryan and Watson will endanger election of Bryan and promote chances of McKinley obtaining electoral votes in North Carolina, and

"Therefore, to the end that all persons favoring the election of Bryan may have their votes counted in the electoral college for him,

Resolved, That the democratic party hereby offers to the populist party a fair and just division of Bryan electors, and that the state chairman is authorized to confer with the populist state chairman, looking to union of the two parties upon one electoral ticket, and report to this committee as early as possible.

Clement Manly, the new state chairman, is given authority to appoint an advisory committee of five, which will really do the work of fusion on the electoral college.

No action was taken. Any policy which the populist party might adopt was abandoned. No plan of campaign was marked out.

It is thought that Senator Butler will demand that all eleven electoral votes be given for Bryan and Watson. Some leading democrats and populists are in conference today. Butler arrives this afternoon. He and Chairman Manly will have a conference.

Headquarters Not to Be Moved.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Chairman Mark A. Hanna returned from his visit to White Plains, at White Plains, early today, but he had nothing to repeat of what was said there by himself or either of the other guests, J. Pierpont Morgan and D. Ogden Mills.

"It was only a social call. We had a pleasant time, a good night's rest and plenty to eat," he said.

Mr. Hanna's attention was called to a report from Chicago that, because of alleged republican factional difficulties there, he had determined upon removal of the national headquarters thence to Cleveland.

"That," said he, "is untrue. You may say there is no word of truth in it."

The Third Ticket Movement.

CHICAGO, July 31.—There will be an important meeting of the executive committee today having in charge state organizations of gold standard democrats at the Palmer House headquarters tomorrow.

Gen. Bragg, chairman, issued the call, and it is expected reports will be received from the states to give an indication as to what extent the third ticket movement has gone and will go.

The work of bringing about a national convention to adopt a third ticket, it is now believed that from thirty to thirty-five states will be represented at the conference on August 7.

Representative of the Chicago Platform.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 31.—A big meeting of gold standard democrats, under the auspices of the National Democratic Club, was held last night at the Coates House. Ex-Chief Justice Black presided and over 200 democrats were in attendance.

The meeting adopted a declaration of principles and a platform, and was characterized as "a magnificent display of good government, an assault upon the error and credit of the nation and injurious to the welfare of the people."

The meeting also adopted a resolution demanding the calling of another national convention to adopt a democratic platform and nominate democratic candidates for President and Vice President.

VICTIMS OF THE HEAT.

At Least Fifty Persons Prostrated Yesterday at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 31.—At least fifty victims of the terrible heat which continued to prevail here were treated yesterday at the St. Louis Dispensary and various hospitals throughout the city. There were probably other cases that were not made public. Ten of these victims have died, and more than a hundred are still in the hospital.

The thermometer rose to 96 degrees in the cool breeze sprung up, tempering the fierce heat. The dead: Police Officer John Crosey, Edward Camp, Chas. Brown, Henry Fisher, William Henry Julius Laux, George Beard, G. H. Thiemeyer, two unknown men. The total number of prostrations so far as reported is seventy.

NO WORD RECEIVED.

Archbishop Ireland Knows Nothing About Mr. Salotti's Successor.

What Archbishop Ireland Says.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 31.—Archbishop Ireland had received no other word in regard to the appointment of a successor for Mr. Salotti as delegate to the United States Disunion convention, which was held at St. Paul, Minn., on July 29.

Mr. Salotti, who was highly of Father Martelli, whom he seems very much, and believes he will make an excellent delegate.

SEN. STEWART'S FIGURES

He Takes a Very Rosy View of Bryan's Prospects.

What Is Going on at the Headquarters of the Populists and Silver Men.

The temporary, and probably the permanent headquarters of the populist national committee will be located at 1420 New York avenue, which is the headquarters of Senator Stewart and his silver paper.

Ex-Secretary Turner of the national committee is temporarily in charge of the headquarters, and will remain here until the arrival of Senator Marion Butler, chairman, and Secretary E. D. Tamm.

They are expected to reach Washington next week, and will immediately assume charge. The transfer of property and of accounts will be made by ex-Chairman Taubeneck and ex-Secretary Turner.

Mr. Turner will probably take the stump for Bryan, and Sewall unless he is prevailed upon to remain with the national committee, of which he has been secretary for four years. Mr. Turner was the organizer of the Georgia Alliance for years and is said to have done more for the populist party than any man in the state, even leaving out Watson.

Mr. Turner is a staunch supporter of the nomination of Bryan and Sewall. He still believes that Sewall ought to have been nominated, and has no idea that the name man will withdraw from the ticket.

It is said that a majority of the new national committee is composed of "middle-of-the-road" men, and they are expected to vigorously oppose the withdrawal of Watson.

The populist national committee, which is now in session at the headquarters of the democratic national committee, will make a fight for the ticket nominated just the same as if Bryan were not nominated, and the ticket would be the same as if Bryan were not nominated.

It is said that the populists are arranging to send a large number of speakers to the annual meeting of the populist party in St. Louis, Mo., in the way of sending out literature.

Senator Stewart's Figures.

Senator Stewart left yesterday for New York on a political mission of some kind. He expects to be away for several days. He has written an editorial for the next issue of his paper, giving his views on the issue of the day.

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SEWALL AND WATSON

An Effort Being Made to Get Them Together.

THE DEMOCRATS WON'T ADVISE IT

Populists Want Bryan's Notification to Be a Ratification Meeting.

MR. WATSON'S BLUSTER

It is said here in well-informed political circles that a strong effort is now making to have Watson and Sewall get together for a personal conference over the question of one or the other withdrawing from the vice presidential race. Nothing could be learned as to when it is hoped to get them to meet or whether there is any real hope that they can be got together at all. The supposition, however, is that Watson may be induced to attend the notification meeting in New York, at which Mr. Sewall will probably be present, and that the men can then talk over affairs.

Democrats Won't Advise It.

The efforts which are making are the work of prominent members of the silver and populist parties. So far as the democrats are concerned, they are not in the least interested in the undertaking. The truth, it is stated, is that few democrats would advise Mr. Sewall to withdraw. They would also not advise him to meet Watson for the purpose of discussing the question. There has been little talk in democratic circles in favor of getting Sewall off the ticket. As a rule, democrats believe, so far as can be gathered here, that the withdrawal of Sewall and the consequent support of Watson by the democrats, would injure the democratic ticket. "There is no danger," said a prominent democrat to a Star reporter, "that Sewall will get off the ticket. If there is any withdrawing, Watson will do it." The same gentleman also expressed the belief that Sewall had no idea of pulling out of the race.

A Ratification Meeting.

Another important political scheme is afoot, the facts of which have been learned by a Star reporter. This scheme is also being engineered by populists and silver party people, with the possibility of some democratic backing, but no influential democrats are known to be behind it at this time.

The scheme is to have the notification meeting in New York turned into a grand "ratification" meeting, at which Mr. Bryan will not have much to say about the democratic nomination and party at least, at which he will say nothing which will offend the populists or make them think he has discriminated against them. It is said that many members of the silver party, the nomination of Bryan at St. Louis, and that if the democratic candidate bestows all his favors on the silver party, he will be kicking over the traces at the last minute and put up a nominee.

It is known here to be a fact, or is said to be a fact by those who ought to know, that one of the objects of the visit of Senator Stewart to New York is to talk to Mr. Bryan about this "ratification" scheme. Whether Mr. Bryan will agree to this proposition is not known. It is not much doubt. At any rate, Mr. Bryan will be asked to talk generally at his headquarters, and will be asked to talk generally at his headquarters, and will be asked to talk generally at his headquarters.

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